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CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT

West Fork Bitterroot River Road (along Painted Rocks Lake) MT PFH 66-1(3)

Accomplishments through December 3, 2003:

Work has been suspended for the winter. The work will startup as soon as practical next spring to finish the project. The guardrail North of the dam will not be installed until next spring. Signs and delineators are complete.

Future activities planned for the project:

Pumco, Inc. will be taking care of the road maintenance (not snow removal) over the winter. Please forward any road conditions and concerns to **Mike Smith** with Pumco, Inc. at **406-273-2811**. Also I can be reached by E-mail at: Todd.Butikofer@fhwa.dot.gov The project office located in Darby will be closing for the year this week.

Other news of note:

Once work start up warrants their use next spring the closures will begin again.

As a reminder the road open/closure schedule is as follows:

7:00 pm to 8:00 am	Open Road
8:00 am to 10:00 am	Road Closure Permitted
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Open Road
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Open Road
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted

During Open Road periods expect short delays for flaggers and/or pilot car. Please be watchful of the flaggers and be prepared to stop, and follow the flagger's directions and follow the pilot car for your own safety as well as the safety of the workers.

Please refer your questions, comments, or concerns to Todd Butikofer at (406) 821-9932 Drive Safe!

